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HERNDON FESTIVAL SET FOR JUNE 1 – 4

Big Name Entertainment, Fireworks, Carnival, 10K/5K Run and More on Tap for Annual Celebration

Herndon, VA (May 12, 2006) – The 26th annual Herndon Festival, a community-wide celebration that has earned national recognition as a premier event for families, will be held June 1-4 in and around Herndon's downtown Municipal Center complex and historic Town Hall Square.

The four-day festival, produced by the Town of Herndon's Parks and Recreation Department with assistance from area civic organizations and businesses, features big name entertainment on three stages, a carnival, fireworks, children's hands-on art area, arts & crafts show, business expo, 10K/5K race and fitness expo, K-9 dog walk and an enticing array of top-quality food vendors. The festival is free and open to the public, although there is a charge for some activities.

An eclectic variety of local, regional and national performers graces the festival stages this year. Thursday performances feature the music of Right On! and Last Train Home; Friday performances feature Juniper Lane and Stephen Kellogg and the Sixers; Saturday headliners include Glengarry Bhoys and Trout Fishing in America; and on Sunday, the nationally recognized Big Bad Voodoo Daddy takes Center Stage.

Festival hours are as follows: Thursday June 1, 6pm – 10pm; Friday June 2, 5pm – 10:30pm; Saturday June 3, 10am – 10:30pm; and Sunday June 4, 11am – 6pm.

A free shuttle bus service will transport attendees to and from the festival area, departing every ten minutes from the Worldgate parking garage on Worldgate Drive and from Herndon High School on Dranesville Road. **Shuttle bus service hours are as follows:** Thursday June 1, 6pm – 10:30pm; Friday June 2, 5:30pm – 10:30pm; Saturday June 3, 10am – 10:30pm; and Sunday June 4, 11am – 6pm.

Tickets and “all you can ride” wristbands for the festival’s carnival are currently on sale at the Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Avenue. “All you can ride” wristbands are \$13 and may be used on Thursday evening, 6-10pm; additionally, “all you can ride” wristbands may be purchased on site and used Saturday, 10am – 2pm. Tickets come in blocks of 30, at \$20, or 50, at \$33. Individual tickets for the carnival are not available in advance, and may be purchased on site for 75 cents each.

The Herndon Festival 2006 Title Sponsor is Airbus, which has its North American headquarters in Herndon. Platinum sponsors include King Wholesale, Cox Communications, and Verizon; Gold sponsors include Mercantile Potomac Bank, Village Center at Dulles, and Herndon Dulles Chamber of Commerce; Silver sponsors include America On-Line, Stanley Martin, Council for the Arts of Herndon, The Observer Newspapers, Great Harvest Bread Co., Main Street Bank, and Marriott Suites Washington Dulles; Bronze sponsors include Starbucks Coffee, Washington’s WB, and Dominion; Copper sponsors include The Hope Center For Advanced Veterinary Medicine, and Connex Transit, Inc; and FRIENDS of the Festival include Kolman P. Apt DMD Orthodontist, Visit www.our-kids.com, Alliance Bank, All Friends Pet Care, and Montessori Children’s House of Loudoun.

In 2005, the readers of *Family Magazine* voted the Herndon Festival as the best festival or celebration for families in the Northern Virginia area. In 2006, editors of *Recreation Management* recognized the Herndon Festival as one of the best organized festivals in the nation.

A detailed festival schedule is attached. For more information, visit www.herndonfestival.net or call 703/787-7300.

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2006 Herndon Festival Schedule of Events

Thursday, June 1

6 – 9:30 PM	Carnival Rides Food Vendors
7:30 – 9:30 PM	Right On! – Municipal Center Stage Sponsored by Cox Communications
7:30 – 9:30 PM	Last Train Home – Depot Stage Sponsored by Verizon
9:30 PM	Fireworks Display – Sponsored by Herndon Dulles Chamber of Commerce

Friday, June 2

5 – 10:30 PM	Carnival Rides Food Vendors
6:00 – 9:00 PM	Arts & Crafts Show
6:30 – 7:30 PM	TGIF Party with Juniper Lane – Municipal Center Stage
7:30 – 9:30 PM	Del Castillo – Depot Stage Sponsored by Verizon
8 – 9:30 PM	Stephen Kellogg and the Sixers – Municipal Center Stage Sponsored by Cox Communications

Saturday, June 3

9:30 AM – 12:00 PM	K-9 2K (Walk starts at 9:30 AM) Doggie Expo – Herndon Community Center Sponsored by The Hope Center of Advanced Veterinary Medicine
10 AM – 5 PM	Arts & Crafts Show (Limited booths are open until 9 PM) Children's Hands-On Art Area Produced by the Council for the Arts of Herndon Sponsored by America Online and Dominion Business Expo

	Produced by Herndon Dulles Chamber of Commerce
10 AM – 10:30 PM	Food Vendors Carnival Rides
1:30 – 5:30 PM	Rising Stars – Municipal Center Stage Sponsored by Washington's WB
7:30 – 9:30 PM	Glengarry Bhoys – Municipal Center Stage Sponsored by Cox Communications Trout Fishing In America – Depot Stage Sponsored by Verizon
9:30 PM	Fireworks Display Sponsored by Airbus North America

Sunday, June 4

7:30 AM	Herndon Festival 10K/5K Run and Fitness Expo – Herndon Community Center Race sponsored by Village Center at Dulles Breakfast sponsored by Great Harvest Bread Company
11 AM – 5 PM	Business Expo Produced by Herndon Dulles Chamber of Commerce
11 AM – 6 PM	Arts & Crafts Show Carnival Rides Food Vendors
12 – 5 PM	Children's Hands-On Art Area Produced by the Council for the Arts of Herndon Sponsored by America Online and Dominion
1:30 – 2:30 PM	Screaming Orphans – Municipal Center Stage
4 – 6 PM	Big Bad Voodoo Daddy – Municipal Center Stage Sponsored by Cox Communications

Saturday and Sunday Entertainment Schedule

Saturday

Municipal Center Stage	Sponsored by Bud/Bud Light
1:30 – 2:30 PM	Averi
3:30 – 4:30 PM	Jag Star
4:30 – 5:30 PM	Girlyman
6:00 – 7:00 PM	The Alternate Routes
7:30 – 9:30 PM	Glengarry Bhoys Sponsored by Cox Communications

Café Stage	Sponsored by Main Street Bank
11 – 11:45 AM	Chris Emerson & Ty Bennett
12 – 12:45 PM	William Walter Acoustic Trio
1 – 1:45 PM	Emily Easterly

2 – 2:45 PM	Mary Sue Twohy
3 – 3:45 PM	Lauren Jennings
4 – 4:45 PM	Natalia Zuckerman
5 – 6 PM	Ben Arthur

Depot Stage

10 – 10:45 AM
 11 – 11:45 AM
 12 – 12:45 PM
 1 – 1:45 PM
 2 – 2:45 PM
 3 – 3:45 PM
 4 – 5:00 PM
 5:15 – 6 PM
 7:30 – 9:30 PM

Sponsored by Mercantile Potomac Bank

Ray Owen – Zany Songs
 Jim Nieb – Jimmy the Clown
 Mike Rose – Magician
 Mr. Brian and the Boppets – Puppets & Rock n’ Roll
 Paul Hadfield – Visual Comedy
 Trout Fishing In America
 Spinny Johnson – Basketball Performer
 Lisa Polinori – Unicycle Lady
 Trout Fishing In America – Singer/Songwriters

Sponsored by Verizon

Sunday

Municipal Center Stage Sponsored by Budweiser/Bud Light

1:30 – 2:30 PM Screaming Orphans
 4 – 6 PM Big Bad Voodoo Daddy

Sponsored by Cox Communications

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 Ben Arthur
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 Almost Recess
 Lisa Moscatiello & Fred Lieder
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Michael Roseman
 Jim Nieb – Jimmy the Clown Show
 Almost Recess – A Cappella Group for the young set
 Mr. Brian and the Boppets - Puppets & Rock n’ Roll
 Mike Rose – Magic Show
 Dick Stohr – Yo-Yo Guy
 Kevin Brown – One man–so much fun

